

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 566

By Borchert

A RESOLUTION to commend Prentice and Rebecca Skinner
for their honorable and astute service to the
people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Prentice and Rebecca Skinner are two such estimable people who evince the greatest integrity and probity in all their chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Prentice E. Skinner served in the United States Army, in which he was an Honor Guard, from 1955 until 1958, and retired from TVA after twenty-five years of astute service; Rebecca Skinner is retired from restaurant work; and

WHEREAS, both born and raised in Dover, the Skinners have been married for forty-five years; as a couple, they have distinguished themselves as public-spirited citizens of the highest order and as exceptional assets to their community; and

WHEREAS, together, the Skinners are active members of St. Luke AME Church, the Steward and Trustee Board, the Pastor's Aide Society, and Stewart County Senior Citizens, having recently been appointed to serve on the Board of Directors; they owned and operated Shea's Bar-B-Q and Home Cooking Restaurant for five years; and

WHEREAS, the Skinners' remarkable success as public servants and civic leaders is directly attributable to their reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and their uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Skinner are extremely giving people who often reach out with compassion to those whom life has treated unkindly, and they each epitomize the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, their many accomplishments aside, the Skinners are fortunate to share both love and companionship with each other and with their four children, Ray, Alisia, Stephanie, and

Eleanor; they also have four grandchildren, Antwan, Darris, Simone, and Aryah, and two sons-in-law, Jelfer Hillsman and Mickel Allen; and

WHEREAS, Prentice and Rebecca Skinner exemplify the spirit and allegiance to family and neighbors that are characteristic of true Tennesseans, and their awareness of the needs of their community has been tangibly demonstrated; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Prentice and Rebecca Skinner for their honorable and astute service to the good people of Stewart County and Tennessee and salute their unswerving commitment to living the examined lives with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.